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**From:** John Edgar Hoover, Director  
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Information has been received from an extremely sensitive source which has furnished reliable information in the past that Aleksei Kirichenko was removed from the Presidium of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (CPSU) because he had started to build a political machine with security forces. It was also learned that Boris Ponomarev, member of the Central Committee of the CPSU, is due for a big promotion, possibly to the Presidium of the CPSU.

This information was obtained as a result of our over-all coverage of the Communist Party, USA. Because of the sensitive nature of our source, it is requested that the contents of this communication be afforded careful security and its use restricted to a need-to-know basis.

This is being furnished for your information.

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**Attention: Deputy Director, Plans**

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